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SUBJ: SOVIET LOS NEGOTIATOR KOLOSOSOVSKY'S VISIT TO QUITO

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1. DURING COURSE OF MY FEBRUARY 19 CONVERSATION WITH FONMIN
SUBSECRETARY VALDEZ, REPORTED SEPTTEL, HE BRIEFLY DESCRIBED THE
VISIT TO DATE OF SOVIET AMBASSADOR IGOR K. KOLOSOSOVSKY TO QUITO.
A SMALL GROUP WITHIN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, HEADED BY VALDEZ, HAVE
BEEN PARTICIPATING IN THE DISCUSSIONS WITH KOLOSOSOVSKY. VALDEZ
SAID THAT KOLOSOSOVSKY WAS AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE OF HIS, THEY
BOTH HAVING SERVED TOGETHER IN BUENOS AIRES A NUMBER OF YEARS
AGO.

2. ACCORDING TO VALDEZ, KOLOSOSOVSKY:

A. EXPRESSED PARTICULAR INTEREST IN THE STRAITS PROBLEM,
SIGNALLING THE STRAITS OF HORMUZ AND MALACCA AND "CERTAIN
OTHERS" AS BEING OF PARTICULAR INTEREST, AND ARGUED FOR
ECUADOREAN SUPPORT FOR UNRESTRICTED PASSAGE THROUGH THESE
STRAITS;

B. SAID THAT THE ECUADOREAN 200 MILE TERRITORIAL
SEA THESIS WOULD NOT TRIUMPH AT THE LOS CONFERENCE BUT
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THAT SOME FORM OF 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONE WOULD;

C. WAS OPTIMISTIC THAT A TREATY WOULD EMERGE FROM
THE GENEVA MEETING (VALDEZ SAID HE DID NOT THINK SO);
AND

D. ARGUED FOR EXPLORATION OF THE RICHES OF THE SEA
BY BIG CORPORATIONS OR ORGANIZATIONS, IN REPLY TO WHICH
VALDEZ PROPOUNDED THE LDC POSITION THAT THE ORGANIZATION
WHICH WOULD BE PUT IN CONTROL OF THESE RESOURCES COULD
EITHER EXPLOIT THEM ITSELF OR CONTRACT WITH MULTILATERAL
CONCERNS TO DO SO.
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